

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 17-21 (cancelled).

22. (New) A method, comprising:

determining a first code utilized in a first cell proximate to a second cell;  
selecting a second code different from the first code; and  
assigning the second code to be utilized in the second cell.

23. (New) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising assigning the second code to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

24. (New) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising assigning the second code to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cells in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

25. (New) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising:

determining a first frequency utilized in the first cell;  
selecting a second frequency different from the first frequency; and  
assigning the second frequency to be utilized in the second cell.

26. (New) A method as claimed in claim 25, further comprising assigning the second frequency to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

27. (New) A method as claimed in claim 25, further comprising assigning the second frequency to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cell in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

28. (New) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising:

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determining a first frequency utilized in a first cell in a first region proximate to a second cell in a second region;

selecting a second frequency different from the first frequency; and  
assigning the second frequency to be utilized in the second cell.

29. (New) A method as claimed in claim 28, further comprising assigning the second frequency to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

30. (New) A method as claimed in claim 28, further comprising assigning the second frequency to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cells in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

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31. (New) A method, comprising:  
determining a first frequency utilized in a first cell;  
selecting a second frequency different from the first frequency; and  
assigning the second frequency to a second cell.

32. (New) A method as claimed in claim 31, further comprising assigning the first frequency to a third cell wherein the third cell is not adjacent to a cell that utilizes the first frequency.

33. (New) A method as claimed in claim 31, wherein the first cell is in a first region and the second cell is in a second region.

34. (New) An article comprising a storage medium having stored thereon instructions that, when executed by a computing platform, result in a cellular communications arrangement by:

determining a first code utilized in a first cell proximate to a second cell;  
selecting a second code different from the first code; and  
assigning the second code to be utilized in the second cell.

35. (New) An article as claimed in claim 34, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second code to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

36. (New) An article as claimed in claim 34, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second code to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cells in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

37. (New) An article as claimed in claim 34, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in:

determining a first frequency utilized in the first cell;  
selecting a second frequency different from the first frequency; and  
assigning the second frequency to be utilized in the second cell.

38. (New) An article as claimed in claim 37, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second frequency to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

39. (New) An article as claimed in claim 37, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second frequency to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cell in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

40. (New) An article comprising a storage medium having stored thereon instructions that, when executed, result in a cellular communications arrangement by:  
determining a first frequency utilized in a first cell proximate to a second cell;  
selecting a second frequency different from the first frequency; and  
assigning the second frequency to be utilized in the second cell.

41. (New) An article as claimed in claim 40, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second frequency to an additional cell wherein the additional cell is not adjacent to the second cell.

42. (New) An article as claimed in claim 40, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the second frequency to cells in a pattern of cells wherein cells in the pattern of cells are not adjacent to the second cell.

43. (New) An article as claimed in claim 40, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in:

determining a first code utilized in the first cell;  
selecting a second code different from the first code; and  
assigning the second code to the second cell.

44. (New) An article as claimed in claim 43, wherein the instructions, when executed, further result in assigning the first code to a third cell wherein the third cell is not adjacent to a cell that utilizes the first code.

45. (New) An article as claimed in claim 43, wherein the first cell is in a first region and the second cell is in a second region.

46. (New) A control station, comprising:

a receiver and a transmitter;

wherein the control station determines a first frequency utilized in a first cell, selects a second frequency different from the first frequency, and assigns the second frequency to a second cell.

47. (New) A control station as claimed in claim 46, wherein the control station further assigns the first frequency to a third cell, wherein the third cell is not adjacent to a cell that utilizes the first frequency.

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